

THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Antonino Conte, Gianbattista Lo Giudice, and Alfredo Signorello

Title: SENSING CIRCUITRY FOR READING AND VERIFYING THE CONTENTS OF ELECTRICALLY PROGRAMMABLE AND ERASABLE NON-VOLATILE MEMORY CELLS, USEFUL IN LOW SUPPLY-VOLTAGE TECHNOLOGIES

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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

May 4, 2005

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

In response to the Notice of Allowability in this case mailed February 4, 2005, the Applicants, acting through their attorney, comment as follows. The Applicants thank the Examiner for allowing the claims. But the Applicants do not necessarily agree with the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance, and respectfully submit that the claims may be allowable for other reasons.

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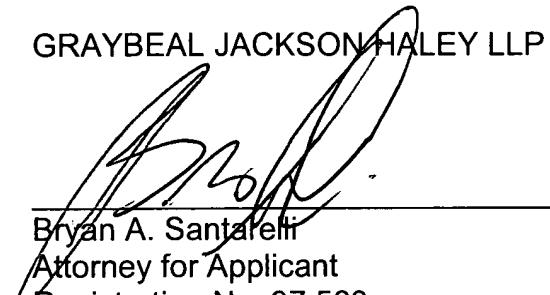
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If the Examiner believes that a phone interview would be helpful, he is respectfully requested to contact the Applicant's attorney, Bryan Santarelli, at (425) 455-5575.

DATED this 4th day of May, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,

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